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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
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FOR: SPUTTERING TARGET AND :  
METHOD FOR PREPARATION  
THEREOF

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated April 20, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.